

Write the Essay Prompt Here: *"Can success be disastrous?"*

KEY WORD:

**SUCCESS**

Victory

Accomplishment

Achievement

Exceeding goals

Winning

Triumph

KEY WORD:

**DISASTEROUS**

Tragedy

Catastrophe

Calamity

Ruin

Failure

Heartbreak

Devastation

Damage

**The success in development of atomic and nuclear weapons negatively changed the global and political landscapes forever.**

Support 1: Atom bomb Hiroshima, WWII

Support 2: Threat of launching Nuclear Weapons during the Cold War, Relations with Cuba, Bay of Pigs, Russia...

Support 3: The Middle East conflicts today, Wars, Iraq (weapons of mass destruction), China, Iran, Israel...

**Victory in solving one problem or curing a disease can cause other unexpected and unplanned consequences or outcomes.**

Support 1: People are living longer (good nutrition and medical care) but not having enough money to support themselves to death; more strains on global resources.

Support 2: Chemotherapy and Radiation kill cancer cells, AND other healthy cells too.

Support 3: Companies are creating new jobs, overseas, American losing jobs (MYTH: cheap, high quality goods made by Americans)

**Some people who won the lottery, or earned BIG \$\$\$ in sports/music, were often MUCH better-off BEFORE they came into money.**

Support 1: Tragedy of a homeless Florida man was killed by his new "friends," they buried him in his back yard, and stole all of his money after he won millions in a Jackpot lottery.

Support 2: Devastation, good family relations suffer when one person becomes rich.

Support 3: Ruin of professional athletes when the money is gone, mismanaged, stolen...

**Unfortunately,  
success does  
not always  
lead to  
triumph and  
victory.**

*Many significant accomplishments in science, the rise in new ways to make quick money, and solving problems have taken us from the days of throwing sticks at each other, to the brink of global destruction, from close-knit communities to the ruination of resilient family ties, and from limited life expectancies to living up to a century. Not every measured success leads to a positive outcome for all. Just use caution if a magic lamp ever appears, and genie offers to grant three wishes; as the old saying goes, "Be careful what you wish for, you just might get it" with disastrous results!*